Statement - II (C)

Development Programme 1997-98 for SSA Churu

Name of Exch.	Net Addition (Lines)
**SSA Churu	
Chhapar	200
Ghangoo	56
Lohahalt	64
Ratan Nagar	232
Ratangarh	424
Salasar	152
Sandwa	56
Sardarshahar	800
Sidhmukh	56
Sridungargarh	400
Sudsar	96
Sujangarh	800
Sub Total	3336
Total	3336

[Translation]

Direct Train Services

2537. SHRI DADA BABURAO PARANJPE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether direct train services are not available for Gandhi Nagar, Surat, Vadodara, Bhavnagar, Rajkot etc. from Jabalpur in Central Railway;

(b) if so, whether the Government propsoe to start direct train services for the said places; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (c) At present, Surat-Varanasi Tapti-Ganga Express (5 days in a week) is available between Jabalpur and Surat. A weekly train is also being introduced between Surat and Patna serving Jabalpur during August'97.

Introduction of trains between Jabalpur and Gandhinagar/Vadodara/Bhavnagar/Rajkot etc. are not feasible due to operational and resource constraints and also gauge variation.

[English]

Recognition of Medical Certificates

2538. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the medical certificates issued by the Ayurvedic/Unani practitioners are not recognised by the Railways; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b) Railway has recognised allopathic system of medicine.

Railway employees are required to be issued the medical certificates by the Railway doctors in case of their sickness.

Certificates issued by non-Railway doctors, regardless of the system of medicine they practice are treated as private medical certificates.

Anugul-Dubri New Railway Line

2539. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the proposal to construct a Railway line between Anugul and Dubri via Budha Park, Kamakshya Nagar and Sukinda in East Coast zone, Orissa has been cleared;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the project;

(c) the allocation made for that line so far;

(d) the progress made in the construction of Anugul-Sambalpur railway line; and

(e) the steps taken to expedite the construction work and the time by which it is likely to be completed?

THE MINSTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 245.58 crores.

(c) The work is included in the Supplementary Budget 1997-98 with a token outlay of Rs. 10 lakhs.

(d) 70%

(e) Full requirement of funds and materials have been provided and the work is being progressed on a war footing. The present target for completion of this line is March, 1998.